MONDAY, February 26, 1872.

The House met, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Highley, Chaplain.

Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Gorman. (Speaker,) Colton, of St. Mary's, Dunbar, Wells, Duvall, Henkle, Sparrow, Chapman, Shipley, Turner, Foard, of Baltimore county, Litzinger, Spencer, Banks, Roach, Dougherty, Smith, Vickers, Penington, Scott. Sasscer, Eareckson, Franklin, Parker, Riley, Baldwin, Streett, Hardcastle, McCosker, Hamilton, T. H., Cooper, Jamart, Staylor, Stewart, Travers, Clark, of Baltimore city, Colton, of Baltimore city, Kirk, Chaisty, Harig, Feig, Markland, Griswold, Young, of Washington, Clark, of Montgomery, Coles, Young, of Allegany, Steele, Polk, Lamotte, H. H., Linthicum, Langrell—52.

The Speaker laid before the House the petition of Wm. Hepbron, Jacob Sutton, and others, asking for taxation of the stock of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Vickers presented the petition of Joseph Payne, and other citizens of Dorchester county, asking for the passage of a law to prevent the Clerk of the Circuit Court from issuing license for the sale of ardent spirits within the limits of Election District No. 12, in said county.

Also,

The petition of Wm. S. Sherman, and other citizens of Dorchester county, asking an Act, granting the voters of District No. 3 the privilege of deciding by vote, at the next election, whether license shall be or shall not be granted, for the sale of intoxicating liquors in said district.

Which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Steele presented the petition of Levi Webb, and sixty-five other citizens of Carroll and Howard counties, praying the General Assembly for the passage of an Act to protect fish in the Patapsco Falls.

Which was read and referred to the Carroll and Howard Delegations.